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### LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters Service to the China Mail.)

#### ENEMY ASSAULTS ON FRENCH FRONT.

GERMAN CLAIMS TO SUCCESS.

LONDON, March 5.

A German official report, received by wireless, states: We stormed and captured a French position at Carrières Wood on a front of 1,500 metres and repulsed counter-attacks during the night.

We captured an important position at the south-east corner of Fosses Wood, capturing 378 prisoners, 16 machine-guns, and 25 quick-loaders.

There were numerous air fights in which the enemy lost 18 aeroplanes yesterday and we lost four.

THE FRENCH REPORT.

A French communiqué states: After a most intense bombardment in the region of Carrières Wood, on the right bank of the Meuse, the enemy violently attacked on a front of three kilometres between Chambrettes Farm and Bezonvaux.

Repeated assaults between Carrières Wood and Bezonvaux failed. The enemy gained a footing in our advanced elements north of Carrières Wood, but our fire smashed all attempts to penetrate the Wood, with heavy enemy losses.

THE BRITISH FRONT.

GERMAN ADMISSION OF A BRITISH SUCCESS.

LONDON, March 5.

A German official report, received by wireless, says: The English attacked southward of St. Pierre Vast Wood and captured a trench sector on the Bouchavesnes-Maislains road.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

ANOTHER ITALIAN SUCCESS.

LONDON, March 5.

An Italian official message, transmitted by wireless, reports:

We brilliantly attacked and occupied a strong position, 2,700 metres in altitude in the Costa Billa group in the Avisio sector.

#### THRILLING INCIDENT IN JUTLAND BATTLE.

POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF A V.C.

LONDON, March 5.

A thrilling story of the Battle of Jutland is now fully revealed by the Admiralty's announcement of the posthumous award of the Victoria Cross to Commander Jones of the destroyer Shark which led a division of destroyers in an attack on the enemy battle-cruiser squadron.

The Shark was disabled by two shells, and another destroyer came between the Shark and the enemy and offered assistance, but Commander Jones warned the destroyer off, saying if it remained it would almost certainly be sunk, and then, though wounded in the leg, he helped to man the after wheel and subsequently, when the fore-castle and after gun's crews were blown away, Commander Jones, assisted in keeping the midship gun in action.

SPY COURT-MARTIALLED IN  
LONDON.

LONDON, March 5.

The Press Bureau announces that a prisoner has been court-martialled in London and sentenced to death for espionage. The finding has been confirmed but the sentence has been commuted to one of penal servitude for life.

#### PRESIDENT WILSON CREATES A SENSATION.

MANIFESTO DENOUNCING THE  
OBSTRUCTIONISTS.

WASHINGTON, March 5.

The Senate meets to-day under extraordinary circumstances.

President Wilson delivers, this morning, his inaugural message from the steps of the Capitol, but meanwhile, the nation has been stirred up to the core by a manifesto denouncing "the little group of willful men representing only their own opinion" who withstood 500 supporters of the Government's policy at a crisis fraught with more far-reaching possibilities of national danger than any Government ever experienced.

President Wilson emphasises that while the nation supports the Government with unprecedented unanimity, the impression will be created abroad that other Governments may do as they please without fear of America doing anything. The great Government of the United States had been rendered helpless and contemptible and the only remedy was to alter the rules of the Senate.

The country can be relied upon to draw the needed moral.

#### THE ARMING OF AMERICAN MERCHANTMEN.

PRESIDENTS PLAN TO OVER-  
COME OBSTRUCTION.

WASHINGTON, March 5.

President Wilson, in a statement yesterday evening, informed the country that he had not the power to arm merchantmen and to take other steps to meet the submarine menace without the authority of Congress. An extra session is required to give him that authority but it was useless while the Senate works under the present rule of permitting a small minority to keep an overwhelming majority at bay.

He proposes to call a special session of the Senate to-day to revise the rules and to supply means of action to save the Country from disaster.

#### BULGARIAN TRENCHES SNOWED UP.

ENEMY BOMBARDMENT OF  
MONASTIR.

LONDON, March 5.

Reuters' Correspondent at Serbian Headquarters reports that the Bulgarian trenches at Monastir are snowed up.

It is officially estimated that the enemy dropped 2,627 shells and bombs on Monastir during 3 months. Forty-three houses were destroyed and 300 damaged, 32 men and 35 women and children were killed and 37 men and 85 women and children were injured.

#### DISSOLUTION OF AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT.

MR. HUGHES' DEPARTURE FOR  
ENGLAND DELAYED.

SYDNEY, March 5.

Owing to the obstructive tactics of the Laborites, the Federal Government has suddenly announced the dissolution of Parliament, entailing an indefinite postponement of Mr. Hughes' visit to England.

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## INTIMATIONS

## HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

## NOTICE.

ON and after 15th March, 1917 the HOURS for the transaction of business by the Hongkong Savings Bank will be 10 A.M. to 12 Noon, Saturdays included.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

N. J. STARR  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, March 4, 1917. 1532

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED &amp; REDUCED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, 1st March to SATURDAY, 31st March, 1917, both days inclusive. The return of Capital of \$2.50 per share will be paid to Shareholders on and after the 15th March, 1917, on presentation of Share Certificates for endorsement.

By Order of  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.  
Hongkong, Feb. 22, 1917. 1533

## THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at St. George's Buildings, Charter Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 10th March, 1917, at 12.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1916 and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 5th March, 1917, until SATURDAY, the 10th March, 1917, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, Feb. 26, 1917. 1534

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## INTIMATIONS

## LOST.

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Hongkong, March 2, 1917. 1544

## NOTICE.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS beg to intimate to Shippers that, in view of the delay of Mails to Europe and the necessity for utilizing three routes, BILLS and all relative documents sent for negotiation must be drawn in TRIPPLICATE instead of in duplicate as heretofore.

Hongkong, March 2, 1917. 1548

## QUEEN MARY'S NEEDLEWORK GUILD.

LADY MAY, "President of the Guild" in this Colony, invites all Ladies interested in the organization of working parties for war work—whether in connection with the War Charities Committee or not—to attend a MEETING at GOVERNMENT HOUSE on WEDNESDAY, 7th March at 10.30 a.m. for the discussion of matters of general interest.

Hongkong, Feb. 23, 1917. 1541

## HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS and VEGETABLES, to be held in the Botanic Gardens.

THURSDAY, the 8th March, at 2 to 6 p.m.

Admission \$1.00.

LADY MAY will present the Prize at 5 p.m.

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A. NICOL,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, March 11, 1917. 1542

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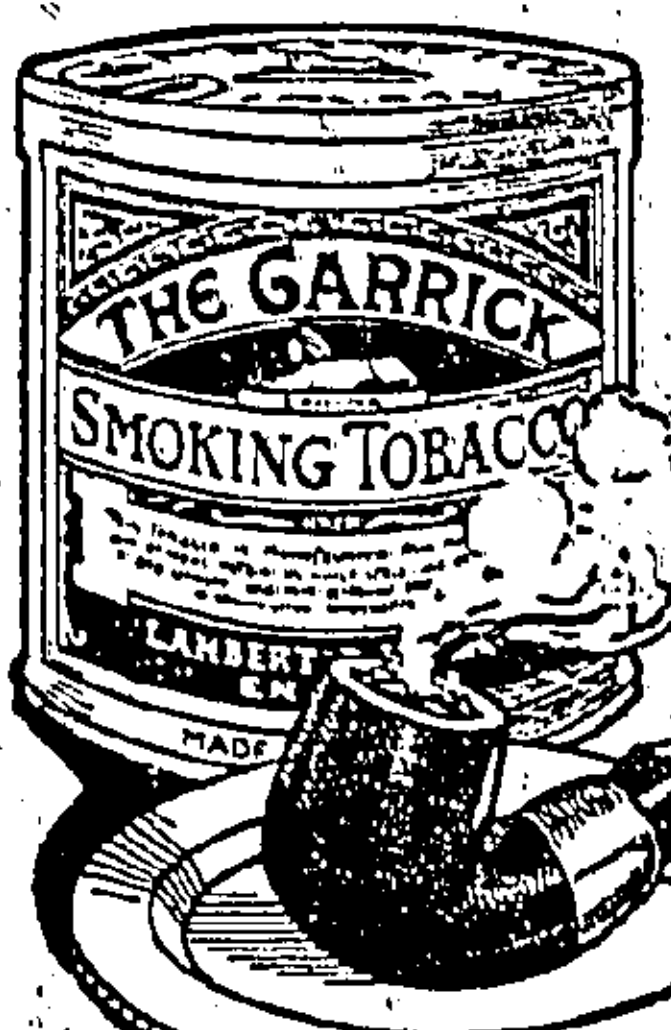
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British Headquarters in the Field, France, Jan. 6.

To-day I have been in the company of some of the officers of the Portuguese Expeditionary Force in France, and came away particularly impressed by the soldierly smartness and remarkable zeal, as well as the excellent physique of all the members of the group.

The party belonged to the artillery branch and were attending a lecture—or I might more correctly describe it as a "chat" description—dealing with some of the special features of trench warfare on the Western front. The lecturer, who was a British liaison officer, spoke in French, and it was easy to see by the manner in which his hearers followed him, with maps and notebooks spread before them, frequently interjecting queries or exchanging comments, that they very clearly grasped all that was said.

EAGER TO LEARN MORE.

Indeed, those of our officers who have come in contact with the Portuguese speak highly of their military training and efficiency. But it is manifest that, however thoroughly soldiers may have learnt their business under peace conditions they must have much to profit from hearing the experiences of those who have waged war under the conditions with which they themselves are about to be confronted.

The uniform is very similar to that of the French Army, but with a slight elusive grey tint in the blue colour scheme. Rank stripes are worn on the cuffs of the tunic in the French fashion, and I noticed a piping of red around the collar and shoulder straps. Overcoats are of the British khaki pattern, and the cap is very similar to that worn by our troops, except that it is blue. The officers wore Sam Browne web-belts, with cross slings, and brown leggings.

I gather that the kit, and indeed the whole equipment of the Portuguese Expeditionary Force, has been designed with a special view to service requirements on the Western front, and from what little I have thus far seen, it should prove thoroughly satisfactory.

PENINSULAR WAR MEMORIES.

I understand that the officers are highly pleased at the cordiality of the reception they have met with since their arrival. They talk freely about the Peninsular War, displaying a knowledge of the fighting and incidents in that campaign which is surprisingly intimate.

Although it is obviously impossible for military reasons, to give any particulars to the strength and character of the force our Portuguese Ally is adding to the legions on the Western front, some general details of the military organization of that country is of opportune interest.

(1915)

War economy has evidently made its need felt in the vicarage as well as in the private house. A clergyman's little son went to stay at a friend's house. The next morning he was asked to say grace. As he hesitated, his host, endeavouring to help, said, "Say what father says, before breakfast." Thus encouraged, the boy began: "Go easy with the bacon: it's eighteenpence a pound."

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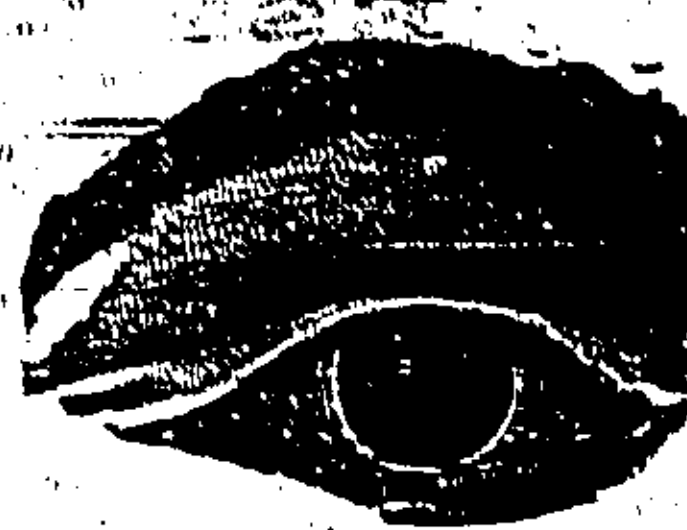
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## To-day's Advertisements

## The China Mail.

## NOTICE.

A MEETING will be held on MONDAY, the 12th inst. at 3.15 P.M. in the CITY HALL to consider the best method of celebrating "ST. GEORGE'S DAY" with a view to raising further funds for British War Charities. All interested are earnestly invited to attend.

Hongkong, March 6, 1917.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED & REDUCED.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Buildings, "The Bazaar," Victoria, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 27th day of March, 1917, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1916, and declaring a Dividend.

By Order of  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.  
Hongkong, March 6, 1917.

## THE DIARY.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

10.30 a.m.—Meeting at Government House of Ladies interested in War Work.  
3 p.m.—Auction of Race Ponies outside City Hall.

## General Memoranda.

TUESDAY & FRIDAY, March 6.—B.K.H. Society's Annual Flower and Vegetable Show.

FRIDAY, March 9.—5.55 a.m.—Full Moon.  
11.30 a.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at Messrs. Hughes & Hough's.

SATURDAY, March 10.—10.30 a.m.—Auction of Dress Materials, Hats, Perfumery, etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

11.30 a.m.—Hongkong Rope Co's. Meeting.  
SATURDAY, March 17.—St. Patrick's Day.  
THURSDAY, March 29.—Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement Day.

## THE "CHINA MAIL."

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British Colonies, as well as at home. Even Shanghai—where a St. George's Society is still one of the local institutions—organised a St. George's War Fund last year to be invested in War Loan, the proceeds being earmarked for the assistance of any member of the Society or his family who may have been injured or killed in the war. There is no St. George's Society in Hongkong and the objects of any effort Englishmen in the Colony may make must therefore be on more general lines; but we think the idea of some organised effort on the part of the English section of the community will be welcomed.

## The Name of the Colony.

We are asked, not by any means for the first time, which is the correct and authoritative way of writing the name of the Colony—as one word or as two. Every new comer is probably a little perplexed by the prevailing inconsistency in the printing of the name of the Colony. Dr. ERTEL, the historian of the Colony, down to 1882, says in his well-known History that when the Charter of Hongkong and the Royal Warrant were published by proclamation in the Gazette the name of the Colony was fixed as "Hongkong," and not "Hong Kong." Unfortunately, however, for this contention, the actual Charter (which we had an opportunity of seeing a few years ago), gives the name as "Hong Kong." If, therefore, the name was printed in the Gazette as one word, it was so printed because either the first Governor of the Colony or the printer of the Gazette preferred to see it as one word. Whether this printing of it as one word in the proclamation was deemed to have "fixed" the spelling or not, the fact remains that the spelling of the word has continued to be a matter of individual preference down to the present day. Many of the firms in the Colony have the word printed in their letter headings, etc., as two words. In the Colonial Office List the name is printed as two words; but in all the publications of the local Government—including the "Hongkong Government Gazette"—the name is printed as one. Yet on the notepaper of Government House it is printed as two words! Our own opinion is that the general English practice in the spelling of place names sanctions the writing of the name of this Colony as one word. We see no more reason for spelling Hongkong as two words than for spelling England, Scotland, Ireland, Belgium, Roussdale, Sevonoaks, Northumberland, and scores of other English names as two. It may be said that the Chinese use two ideographs in writing the name of the Colony, but so they do in writing Canton, Amoy, Foochow, Shanghai, Hankow, Wuhu, Ichang, Tientsin, Peking and many other names that are commonly printed in English as one word.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The wedding took place at Singapore on the 17th ult. of Mr. W. A. Wilson, of the Singapore Free Press, and formerly a journalist in Hongkong. He married Miss Winifred White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. White, of Hope Park, Mount Elizabeth, Singapore. Mr. Wilson is the author of a little book entitled "Mutiny Murders" which, besides relating in a humorous strain the operations of the Volunteers in the mutiny of a portion of the Indian troops at Singapore at an early stage of war, contains one or two interesting chapters on volunteering in Hongkong.

The Rev. Mr. Copley Moyle, Chaplain of St. John's Cathedral, is going home on leave after Easter and the Rev. Mr. Griffiths will act in his place. Mr. Moyle's agreement with the Church Body terminates on April 15th. The Church Body has offered to renew the agreement, and has given Mr. Moyle till the middle of August to decide whether he will renew. The Church Body has granted Mr. Moyle six months' leave on full pay. The Acting Chaplain is to be granted a house allowance of \$150 in addition to his ordinary salary, and the Church Body has also agreed that the Bishop of Victoria shall provide clerical assistants for the Acting Chaplain for which they have agreed to pay \$100 a month.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A branch of the American Navy League has been formed in Manila.

The annual "public rump" of Race Ponies will be held to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock, at the Fountain outside the City Hall.

Our lady readers are reminded of the meeting, to be held at half-past ten to-morrow morning at Government House, of all ladies interested in War Work.

A Chinese woman reported to the Police at Kowloon City yesterday that she had been attacked and robbed of two pairs of bangles valued at \$17 and one pair of bangles valued at \$30.

The P. M. S. S. Co's steamer Ecuador arrived at Yokohama from San Francisco on the 5th inst., one day ahead of schedule time, and left there for Hongkong, via Kobe, Shanghai and Manila, on the 6th inst.

At a meeting of the members of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club last night it was decided to continue the gymkhanas this year and to contribute to war charities a further \$3,000, after the withdrawal of deposits.

A telegram from the Postmaster General of the United States received at Shanghai announces the appointment of Mr. Edward Everett as United States Postal Agent at Shanghai to succeed Mr. John M. Durrah, who recently resigned.

Dr. Zitzmann, ex-German Consul at Manila, and his secretary, who were taken to Nagasaki from Manila by the transport Thomas with a view to their transshipment to Shanghai, were refused a permit to land in Japan and, therefore, had to proceed to the United States on the transport.

It is stated in the St. John's Cathedral Church Notes that much dissatisfaction has been felt and expressed with the custom of retaining a certain portion of the collection for Church expenses when a special collection is announced. The Church Body has decided that no deduction for Church expenses shall be made during the year 1917 from collections for special purposes, unless the Church Body shall previously authorise a deduction in any particular case.

The Manila *Cablenews* states that as a result of a visit to the Philippines by Dr. Ping Wen Kuo, head of a Chinese Educational Commission, a dozen American teachers are to leave the Philippines for China almost immediately, and tentative arrangements have been made with the Bureau of Education for three of this calendar year, should their services be required.

It seems hardly credible that in these times there can be British subjects anywhere in the world who still prefer to be treated ill by German doctors when competent British doctors are available; but some correspondence in Shanghai papers suggests that such people really do exist in Shanghai. With some considerations of self are superior to considerations of patriotism. It seems that the contract rates of the British doctors are much higher than those charged by the German doctors; but one "True Briton" writes: "I understand that certain so-called Britons who have employed these German doctors for years cherish the illusion that they have on more than one occasion owed their lives to the skill and unremitting attention of these men, and have retained their services (on the understanding that no fees shall be paid till after the war) for the reason that they do not in matters of life and death feel the same confidence in any of the able British medical practitioners who are available in Shanghai." What would these "patriots" have done had they been living in Hongkong or at Home, instead of at Shanghai?

## THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED, AND REDUCED.

Subject to audit, the Directors of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. will, at the forthcoming meeting of shareholders to be held on 27th March 1917, recommend the following allocation of profits:

To write off Deep Water Bay buildings and machinery, \$20,000.00  
To write off Steamers, Launches and Lighters, 10,000.00  
To pay a dividend of 80 cents per share, 320,000.00  
To pay a bonus to Staff, 13,686.25  
To place to reserve fund, 150,000.00  
And carry forward to credit of next year's account about 110,000.00

## THE MAGISTRACY.

## THEFT OF BRASS.

A boilermaker employed at the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock was brought before Mr. Melbourne this morning on the charge of stealing brass from the Dock.

Mr. Tucker, from the Docks, appeared to prosecute and the defendant pleaded not guilty to the charge.

It appeared that whilst leaving the Dock the defendant was arrested on suspicion by an Indian watchman and taken to the Police Station. There he was searched and four pieces of brass belonging to the Dock were found in his possession.

The defendant stated that the brass had been put in his jacket pocket and belt by the Indian watchman.

His defence, however, did not satisfy the Magistrate, who imposed a sentence of 14 days' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

## A JUVENILE PICKPOCKET.

Whilst in Queen's Road West, yesterday, a Chinese discovered a small boy attempting to pick his jacket pocket of a silver watch valued at \$24.00. He seized the young thief and called "spatch things." The boy broke free and ran away but was caught and arrested by a district watchman.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning the boy pleaded not guilty to a charge of larceny. After hearing the case His Worship sentenced the defendant to six weeks' hard labour and ten strokes of the birch.

The second defendant in the case, a man charged with aiding and abetting the boy in the larceny, was remanded on \$500 bail.

## BANISHED FOR LIFE.

A Chinese brought before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning pleaded guilty to the charge of returning from banishment.

Inspector Sullivan stated the defendant had been banished for life and this was his second return to the Colony.

As the Hon. C.S.F., Mr. McI. Messer, asked that the defendant be committed for trial, His Worship remanded the case until Thursday.

## UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF AMMUNITION.

Charged with the unlawful possession of 150 rounds of ammunition, a cabin boy on the s.s. *Empress of Japan* appeared before Mr. Melbourne this morning. The defendant pleaded guilty to the offence and was fined \$75 or, in the alternative, six weeks' hard labour.

## CHARGE AGAINST SHIP'S OFFICER.

The remanded case in which William J. Cooper, a ship's officer, is charged with being drunk and disorderly on the 20th of January in Yamahai was again before Mr. Melbourne this morning.

The defendant was represented by Mr. Goldring, who intimated that he intended to take action against Sergeant Tallock for unlawful arrest and assault.

Evidence was taken and the case adjourned until Thursday.

## A WELL-DESERVED SENTENCE.

In Mr. Melbourne's Court this afternoon a Chinese charged on remand with conspiring to defraud a country woman from Shamshui of \$250, by means of a trick, under circumstances reported in the *China Mail* of the 2nd inst. was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

## THE LAW COURTS.

In the Supreme Court before the Chief Justice, Sir William Rees Davies, this morning, Chang Shing Kn, of 280 Queen's Road Central, sued the firm of Yee Or and partners for \$1,000 money lent.

Mr. E. J. Grist appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Hind for the defendant.

Mr. Grist asked His Lordship to adjourn the case pending the decision in an original action which concerned a question of partnership. The original action is to decide whether the plaintiff is or is not a partner in the defendant firm and perhaps it would be better to hold over the present action until this matter had been decided.

His Lordship adjourned the case sine die.

## RUB IT IN.

A good many people think rheumatism can not be cured without taking nauseous medicine. Chamberlain's Pain Balm massaged thoroughly into the skin has cured far more rheumatism than any internal remedy in existence and gives relief quicker. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

## THE LATE MR. A. H. HEWITT.

In the course of his sermon on Sunday morning, last, in St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, Rev. N. C. Pope made reference to the late Mr. A. H. Hewitt, as follows:—"When we come in contact with a man or a woman who is genuine, real, we are conscious of an aroma as it were, a sweet savour, a fragrance wafted over to us. It was so in the case of A. H. Hewitt. I did not know him intimately, but I never saw and talked with him but I felt the better for it. He sort of freshened one up. He was a man unspoiled by 30 years of Hongkong, and that is saying a good deal. I have known men spoil by less than 30 months of Hongkong. I dare say that there was not a man on the Coast of China the equal of A. H. Hewitt in sheer ability, ability too of so extraordinarily versatile a character. But it was not that that impressed me so much; it was the transparent sincerity of the man. Those clear direct eyes of his were a true index to a life actuated by lofty principles. The strength of a winsome simplicity was his. I think that was why one liked him better each time one met him. His was a heart that would never have grown old, was so essentially childlike in its directness. He irradiated sweetness, at least that it was always my impression, and I don't think I shall forget it. I can well believe that those who knew him best are conscious of a blank; but the aroma of his character will abide.

"The Colony is much the poorer for the loss of him. We could do with more men of his type. The sudden tragedy that removed his presence from us will surely in God's good providence fix in the memories of all who know him the example of a man whom it was good to meet. We thank God for his life, his devotion to duty and his consistent character, the character of a man who was genuine to the core."

At the close of the Service the Congregation stood while the Dead March in *Saul* was played by the Organist.

*Church Notes*, the magazine of St. John's Cathedral, pays the following tribute to the late Mr. Hewitt:—"The suddenness of Mr. A. H. Hewitt's death came as a terribly sad surprise to his many friends in the Colony. On Tuesday, February 26th, he fell from a plank a distance of some ten feet, while engaged in examining the ravages of white ants, and died within half an hour. He was a man of many parts, who took a broad interest in life and could converse on many topics with knowledge and interest. As an engineer he was very keen on his profession, and he was fond of making experiments with electricity. He was a man of deep religious feeling, and one who had read considerably on theological subjects. He was one of the most regular attendants at the Cathedral service, and was at the early Celebration and at Evensong on the Sunday before his death. He exercised a wide influence for good, and was frequently doing acts of kindness in that spirit which Christ taught us when He said: 'We should not let our left hand know what our right hand doeth.' He took a great interest in the organ, and spent many hours in repairing it. He was a man who shunned notoriety and when invited to be a member of the Council of the National Mission of Repentance and Hope, replied 'That he would do his utmost to further the cause of the Mission, but that its guidance was a matter for able heads than his.' God has suddenly taken him to that closer union with Him which is enjoyed by the blessed dead. May he rest in peace, and may the memory of his example encourage many of us to give a similar proof of the power of the Christian faith."

Special reference was made to the late Mr. Hewitt's death by the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle, Chaplain of the Cathedral, before commencing his sermon on Sunday morning.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Anglo-Java Estate Limited, held on February 25, it was decided to recommend to the shareholders, at the forthcoming annual meeting, the payment of a final dividend of 1.50 per share for the year.

Scoutmaster J. M. Bragg has received a letter from ex-Scout A. F. Demee from "somewhere in France."

Mr. Demee is very well and sends his "cheer-ups" to all his friends and requests them to note his change of address. His new address is: Monsieur Adolphe Demee, 19cme Reg. d'Aligne, 40cme Commune, 3cme Section, Sector Postal 83 France.

## CHINA AND THE WAR SITUATION.

## THE PRESIDENT'S ATTITUDE.

## THREATENED RESIGNATION OF THE CABINET.

(Wah Tsz Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, March 5.

The high military authorities are rather sceptical with regard to China's third step towards Germany [i.e. joining the Entente].

Over 20 military officials, headed by two Generals, called on the Vice-President, General Feng Kuo Chiang, on March 2nd and asked him for his views on the subject.

The Vice-President replied that he advocated carefulness from the beginning, and that he continues to be of the same mind.

The Cabinet, decided upon the final policy of the Country towards Germany, on March 3rd, and on the following morning the Premier and other Ministers, called on the President to explain the result of the Cabinet meeting, and requested the President's signature to a telegram governing diplomatic relations, which was to be sent to Germany.

The President, however, refused to sign the telegram on the ground that he must await Parliament's approval.

Upon hearing this the Premier left abruptly for Tientsin, dictating at the station his resignation to his secretary, who handed it to the President immediately after.

The Vice-President, who was attending a reception, upon hearing of the Premier's action, immediately left the dinner and hurried to the railway station, where he endeavoured to persuade the Premier to reconsider his decision, but without success.

Two important officials have been despatched by the President to Tientsin to request the Premier to return to Peking.

The Central Government has requested of the Foreign Ministers that, in addition to the ten years' delay in payment of the Boxer indemnity and the revision of the Customs tariff, the 5th article of the "Twenty-two Demands" made by Japan in 1915 shall be permanently cancelled.

It is stated that all the Cabinet Ministers have decided to resign.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE MILITARY SERVICE COMMISSION.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1917.

Sir,—The Commissioners understand that some uncertainty has been expressed with regard to their attitude towards applications from British subjects of other than British race; and they desire accordingly to state that, in pursuance of the terms of reference of the Proclamation whereunder they are appointed, they investigate applications from all male British subjects of military age, irrespective of race.

It is true that two Indian applicants were, with the consent of the Military Authorities, sent to the Deputy Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General, with an intimation that the Commissioners were unable to deal with their cases; the reason being that it was thought that the applicants desired to enlist in the Indian Army, and the Commissioners had no information of the conditions of recruitment for that Army.

It has since transpired that one of these applicants desires to enlist in the Army in England, and steps have been taken to consider his application in the usual course.

All future applications from British subjects, irrespective of race, will be dealt with by the Commissioners.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient servant,  
A. G. M. FLETCHER,  
Secretary.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Unions	8000	holders
Def. Indos	120	buyers
China Sugars	112	holders
Wharves	814	holders
Docks	1254	holders
Hongkong Hotels	108	holders
Cement	11.10	holders
Trains	7.70	holders
Shanghai Cottons	112	holders
Langkai	17	holders



## TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

## THE BRITISH LINE IN FRANCE.

## EXTENDS FOR 130 MILES.

LONDON, March 5. Communications reveal that the British line now extends as far south as Roye near Noyon, which is the nearest point of the German line to Paris.

The British line from Ypres to Roye is 130 miles.

Special Correspondents describe the appalling state of the evacuated German ground. Every possible gun and store have been removed, but the whole battlefield is matted with bodies unburied for months. Many were drowned in the mud through which they were unable to wade.

## THE NATIONAL SERVICE ARMY.

LONDON, March 5.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Director of National Service, speaking in London, said we had now 100,000 National Service Volunteers; we wanted half a million.

## THE IRISH HOME RULE QUESTION.

LONDON, March 5.

Interest this week in the House of Commons centres in a motion by Mr. T. P. O'Connor, to be introduced on Wednesday, demanding immediate Home Rule for Ireland.

Sir George Balfour has tabled an amendment deprecating such legislation during the war.

Mr. Lloyd George is expected to participate in the debate, though he is at present in bed with a cold.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## BRITISH STILL PRESSING FORWARD.

## 130 PRISONERS TAKEN.

LONDON, March 5.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: We captured the enemy's front and support lines to the east of Bouchavesnes on a 1,200 yards frontage, taking 173 prisoners. We have repulsed several counter-attacks.

The enemy continues to yield ground to the east of Commeuourt, where we advanced to a depth of 1,200 yards on a frontage of two miles.

The total number of prisoners for the day was 130.

## VIOLENT ARTILLERY ACTIVITY ON THE MEUSE.

LONDON, March 5.

A Paris communiqué states that there has been violent artillery on the east of the Meuse. A German attack at Caubrières Wood, after an intense bombardment, reached our first line, but was completely ejected by our fire and counter-attacks. Our line was maintained. The French effectually bombarded the enemy batteries in the region of Malancourt.

## THE RUSSIAN CAPTURE OF HAMADAN.

## ENEMY BEING PURSUED.

PETROGRAD, March 4.

A message from Tcheran states that the Russians have captured Hamadan, and are pursuing the retreating enemy.

## UNSWERVING FIDELITY OF THE ALLIES.

PETROGRAD, March 5.

An inspired statement says that the Allied Conference affords fresh proof of the increasing solidarity of the Allies and of their unswerving fidelity to the common cause. The Conference decided on measures for the better distribution of the common resources.

## SUCCESS OF NEW ITALIAN LOAN.

ROME, March 5.

Subscriptions to the new loan at present amount to 2½ milliards of lire, of which 1,720 millions are new money.

## UNITED STATES NAVAL CONSTRUCTION.

## BILL SIGNED.

President Wilson has signed the Naval Appropriation Bill; likewise the issue of 150 million dollars of bonds to be expended on Naval construction.

## THE ARMED NEUTRALITY BILL.

## SENATE ADJOURNS WITHOUT ACTION.

WASHINGTON, March 4.

The Senate adjourned without taking action regarding the Armed Neutrality Bill.

## RETREHENSIBLE FILIBUSTERS.

WASHINGTON, March 5.

The opponents of the Armed Neutrality Bill, who number 12, are denounced as the most reprehensible filibusters of history.

## ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

## THE FREE SEATS QUESTION.

A special meeting of seatholders and subscribers was held at St. Paul's College last evening to confirm the resolution passed at the Annual Meeting on January 20th, viz.: "That in future all seats be reserved after five minutes before the service."

There was some delay in opening the meeting owing to an insufficient number being present to form a quorum. The Bishop of Victoria presided over the meeting and there were present Mrs. Stubb, Mrs. Marriott, Miss Innes, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Lander, Miss Lander, Mr. J. M. Beck, Mr. A. H. Harris, Mr. P. B. L. Bowley, Mr. E. V. D. Parr, Mr. G. Piercy, Captain Carr, the Rev. V. H. Copley Meyle and Mr. W. L. Patterson (Hon. Secretary).

The Bishop said the meeting had been convened in order to give effect to the resolution above mentioned. The meeting was entitled to amend the regulation as passed at the Annual Meeting if it desired so to do.

Mr. Bowley said that in the absence of the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, who had originally put forward the proposal, he would move that the regulation be amended as passed at the Annual Meeting. He said the amendment would make very little difference. For more than twelve months all seats had been reserved as five minutes before the morning service to enable the Territorials to take the places allotted to them and the majority of the regular attendants had been in the habit of arriving five minutes before the service, or otherwise taking what seats they could get.

Mr. PARR seconded.

Mr. HARRIS moved an amendment that the resolution be held over until the next annual meeting. The service commenced usually about three minutes after the bell ceased ringing, which was a very convenient arrangement for seatholders. The amendment would require them to be in their places five minutes before the service began, which would be a burden to those living on the Point and some distance away from the Cathedral. He said he would like to see the morning arrangement remain as it now stands and when the bell ceased, seats to be free, and also the seats at the evening service to be free to enable the body of the Cathedral to be better filled. He moved that the resolution be laid on the table and brought up at the next annual meeting.

Mr. BECK said the matter had been brought up at the last meeting and passed very hurriedly, and he thought it should not be passed. This motion was not seconded.

Mr. CHAIRMAN asked whether those present were entitled to amend regulations.

Mr. BOWLEY said that no amendment could be made unless passed at an annual meeting.

Mr. HARRIS asked somebody to second his motion. He said he had made no attempt before the meeting but he thought it should be adopted. Mr. BECK then seconded. The motion was put to the vote and passed by six votes to four, five present not voting.

Mr. HARRIS then proposed, at the Chairman's suggestion, a recommendation that all seats be considered free at the evening service in order to secure a better attendance in the body of the Cathedral.

Mr. BOWLEY seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

## TROUBLE AVERTED.

THAT little said and sore throat of yours must be checked at once or it may develop into something worse. Take a few doses of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and your troubles will soon vanish. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## WAR NEWS ITEMS.

By January 20th the Prince of Wales Fund had reached a total of £9,025,027. Of this sum £3,320,710 had been allocated to date for distribution for relief.

A "Wireless Press" message from Berne at the end of January says that the Hungarian Food Controller has fixed the price of butter at 8s. 6d. per lb. for Hungary.

In a Berlin municipality order, it was announced that "despite the present unfavorable conditions of a republican from Jan. 12 and the end of the month one egg would be available for every citizen of Berlin. As regards the supply after January 31 nothing can be said at present."

In order to commemorate the heroic defence of Verdun, the Municipal Council had struck a medal, bearing on the obverse side, a figure of France with helmet and sword, with the inscription, "On ne passe pas," and on the reverse the arms of Verdun, with the date of the German attack, January 21, 1916.

A regulation has been made, under the Defence of the Realm Act declaring that it shall not be lawful, without the permission of the Admiralty, to hoist on a flagstaff or display conspicuously the white ensign or the blue ensign, with or without any distinguishing mark, "any flag so resembling the same as to be calculated to deceive."

A Berne telegram recently stated that over 1,000 enemy guns have been dispatched from the Rumanian front back to the workshops. Up to the present the Rumanian campaign is said to have accounted for the entire output of the German munition factories for two months.

Agreement has now been reached by the Commonwealth and Australian State Governments embracing a registration scheme embracing members of the Australian and British Naval and Military Forces who have served in the war. The scheme is expected to cost the Commonwealth £2,000,000.

The Canadian financial statement for the nine months ending December 31 shows a comparative increase of revenue of £8,400,000 over the corresponding period of last year. War expenditure amounted to £34,000,000, and the National Debt totalled £144,400,000, an increase of £30,000,000.

The prisoners in Ruhleben Camp have established a school among themselves. A printed prospectus consisting of 15 pages, with six photographic illustrations, has been issued. The subjects taught include 15 modern languages, science, bookkeeping and modern office and business methods. In some subjects candidates are being prepared for matriculation at London University. Generally, the tuition provided ranges from a certain number of subjects to the standard of advanced university students.

## THE STUDY OF GERMAN.

## PRISONERS CAPTURED THROUGH A "GIFT OF LANGUAGES."

"The Place of Modern Foreign Languages other than French in School Curricula" was the chief subject of discussion at the meeting of the Modern Association at University College.

Signorina Castelvoglio, of King's College, urged the importance of a greater study of the Italian language in English schools, in order to promote better commercial and political relations between the two nations, and Mr. E. G. Underwood, of Eton, in a paper on Russian, supported its claims as a subject of commercial and literary importance. Germany, he contended, owed her success in Russia, as in many other centres, before the war, to the acquisition of the native language by her commercial classes. Russian deserved to be given a place in the English secondary system of education after English and French, because, whether they considered the matter from its practical or any other point of study, Russia had the greatest claim.

Dr. E. A. Woolf, Hackney Downs School, supporting the claim of Spain, said Germany was making great efforts to capture the South American trade after the war. The neglect of Spanish at this time would mean that we should lose our commercial supremacy in South America after the cessation of hostilities.

Mr. Marshall Montgomery, formerly Lecturer in English, of Glasgow, spoke on the subject of German. If not actually a prisoner in the dock, he remarked, Germany was of its defence today; but he desired to commend the language for its educative, humanistic, and humanitarian value. A language need not be bad because many of those who spoke it might be vicious and criminal. It was an absolute scandal in this country, he declared, that men were entering the Army and Navy without knowing a single word of German. Quite recently, in a fit of patriotism, he offered his services to a schoolmaster in Oxford, who had lost his Modern Language master; but he was told that not a man among those taking German. He was much interested to learn, in an account of the death of Baron Reuter, who was killed at the front, that with a platoon of 20 men he captured 90 Germans through his soldierly resolution and his "gift of languages." It was almost certain that he used the German language when he captured those Germans!

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## DYING SOLDIER'S MESSAGE.

## WINNING A LEGACY FOR OUR CHILDREN.

## NO GERMAN PEACE.

A corporal who, mortally ill, lay in hospital on Christmas Day, sent a communication to a friend that he had an "important message of some kind" to give, and when sent he told of many of the adventures he had passed through at the front, and added, as his dying words, for his death took place on New Year's Eve, a message on the peace proposals. "As sure as God is in Heaven," he said, "if our people are deceived at this stage, then all the tens of thousands of bits that have been done by our men; yes, and by the hundreds of thousands of Allied soldiers who have gone West with a sure faith in their hearts, all will be made a mockery and a waste—the most tremendous waste of life and faith the world has ever seen. No massacre of the innocents that history has ever known could give the devil so much pleasure as that. It's all this foggy cloud of peace vapourings that strikes a chill into my heart. Any man who is able to claim that he bases his theories on kindness, mercy, and the desire to spare others is always sure of a hearing with our folk; and they not having been up against the rethoric—see the danger of their being betrayed from the very kindness of their hearts into the cruellest, most devilish sort of sacrifice of their own flesh and blood, and their own future, and the future of their children and children's children, that the world has ever known."

## PEACE VAPOURINGS.

"I understand there are a dozen clever fellows like — who are going up and down the country helping to thicken the fog of peace vapourings, and thereby saving Germany's cause for her. I have unbelieved all my life. But what I want you to realise is that this handful of misguided orators go up and down the country repeating all this cruel and mocking rubbish to thousands of simple-hearted men and women, who are very likely to be deceived by it. It should be the first business of the people who know better to undeceive them, and to let the cold light of truth in through the misty vapourings of peace talk. They should be told that the only real league of nations to enforce peace was established by the Allies in August 1914. Its task of enforcing peace was begun then, in the only manner which can possibly produce any effect upon a people saturated as the people of Germany have been for nearly four decades in the principles of the superman philosophy and in the philosophy of aggressive militarism. If any other nation, in the interests of humanity, of civilisation, and of secure peace, desires to join and to strengthen the League of Nations to Enforce Peace, is not the way open to them? They will never accomplish much by making eloquent speeches or by writing. Speeches and writing will not separate an armed and murderous burglar from his swag, and secure peaceful householders against his further depredations. That can only be accomplished by force, and it is open to any nation that truly desires to secure peace to add its quota to the strength and to the heroic sacrifice of the existing League of Nations to Enforce Peace, which, as a matter of plain fact, has been fighting the battles of the other countries just as much as its own."

## CIVILISATION AT STAKE.

"What I feel about this thing makes every other feeling of my life seem little and unimportant. Even what we call civilisation is a small thing in the issue: for in this belief, the future of the civilisation of which we are a part is at stake. The peoples who are thousands of miles away from the carnage may perhaps never understand, though their thinkers must, of course, but truly, our sacrifices and our fighting are just as much for the hundred million people in America as for the folk of these islands of our own. The one main spring of the strength and endurance that has protected all the world was that bloodied line from the North Sea to Switzerland, where so many tens of thousands of French and British lie dead, is the sure knowledge that we fight not for this or that country or territory, but for the salvation of humanity, and the preservation of peace and freedom and justice as we understand them; and the sure faith that if we are steadfast we must triumph, that if we triumph it is for good and all that shall be the last struggle, the last sacrifice, and that, by it, we earn real safety and security for our children and for their children. Morally, Germany was beaten before the end of 1914, and knows it. In a military sense she is not yet beaten, and will not be for months to come. Her war machine is a great and terrible engine of destruction and of unrelenting, unrelenting work. Until the Boche is beaten and broken, in the full military sense no other reward for our sacrifices and no better legacy for our children can possibly be won."

## THE LITTLE WAR WORKER.

The following lines are taken from an Australian paper, and voice the determination of one of the newer generation of girls taking up a strange task —

The time I've spent on these here socks is like a thousand years to me. Dear lad, how do they look to thee? They hooley, thy hooley.

Oh, maddening stitches, plain and pure. How oft they've made my poor head whirl.

For men must fight—but I'm a girl. And so I'm knitting socks for thee.

My mother taught me how to knit. I hope with all my heart they fit. It's not as socks—well, so a mitt. Or pair them on thy hooley.

## COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

The amended Militia Bill, fathered by the President of the Philippines Senate, and generally known as the Quezon military bill, passed the house of Representatives at Manila recently at a three minute session held by that house, while then adjourned. The bill was passed with a few amendments which, however, left it practically unchanged.

The bill provides for a force of 38,000 men and also for a body to be known as the Philippine Military Commission, which is to have charge of all the affairs of that force. It will be composed of the Secretary of the Interior, the Presidents of both houses of the Legislature and two provincial governors who are to be selected by the Governor-General.

The bill provides for compulsory training for boys between the ages of 12 and 18; compulsory service with the colours for three consecutive years instead of six, as previously provided in the bill; for the establishing of shooting clubs in the islands; and for pensions for militia men who may become ill by reason of wounds or illness suffered while in the service.

The guard shall be divided into National Guard and the reserve and will be used for the quelling of uprisings, to put down riots and for any other duty called upon to perform by the Governor-General, who is the chief of the organization. There are to be nine infantry regiments, a cavalry squadron, a field artillery regiment and a coast artillery regiment in the new army.

The pay for the new army of the islands is to be as follows: major general, P6,000; colonel, P3,000; major, P2,400; captain, P2,100; first lieutenant, P1,500; second lieutenant, P1,200; sergeant major, P480; first sergeant, P260; sergeant, P300; first class private, P150; private, P144.

## SHANGHAI CHINESE AVIATOR'S SUCCESS.

## A BOCHÉ BROUGHT DOWN.

We are pleased to learn, says the Shanghai *Review*, of the success on the Western Front, of a Shanghai aviator—Sub-Lieutenant Pilot E. Tsu, son of Mr. Nicholas Tsu, the well-known compradore of the Banque de Indo-Chine and proprietor of the Nicolas Tsu Engineering and Shipbuilding Works on the Chinese Bund. Some little time ago a report was published in Shanghai to the effect that Sub-Lieutenant Tsu had been taken prisoner by the Germans, but this, we are glad to be able to state, is incorrect. His father has within the past few days received a letter from him, dated 11th January, stating that he is quite well and enclosing photographs of himself and his machine.

The following is a translation of a part of the letter:—"I enclose herewith four photographs taken beside my new machine (Spad). This machine makes more than 200 kilometres an hour. I have already brought down a Boche with this machine, for which I have been mentioned in despatches. Being an officer, I cannot get the Military Medal, but I can get the Legion of Honour for bringing down one or two Boches."

The machine referred to is a biplane, with fixed machine gun, and developing about 150 horse power.

Sub-Lieutenant Tsu is 33 years of age. He has had much experience in aviation and has been doing duty at the Front for a considerable time. He is to be heartily congratulated on his success, as also is his father, who is an engineer of much ability.

## A BROKEN TRADITION.

## "GENERATION THAT WILL MISS OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE."

The question of the duty of the Universities to the young men who returned from the war was raised by Mr. H. J. Mackinder, when he presided over the joint meeting of the Geographical Association and the Mathematical Association.

For the first time since the days of Charles the First, the tradition of Oxford and Cambridge had completely broken. A whole generation of undergraduates had dropped out. It was impossible to think that after the war the vast majority of young men now at the front, who, under ordinary circumstances would have been the recruits of our learned professions, would ever go through the normal undergraduate course. It would take too big a slice out of life and the demand for men would be far too urgent, and the tasks to be done so great.

It would be up to the Universities to give these practical young men who came back the essence of a liberal education, and to do it in the only way that would be generally acceptable, namely, to submit to, namely, in some shortened way, and in a way that obviously bore directly upon life.

## A GERMAN IDEAL.

Baron von Rechenberg, a former Governor of German East Africa, writing in the Berlin "North and South," states:—"The Fatherland must have a colony which it can defend in the next war. Australia is unsuitable because she is becoming too strong, and she would be a menace to the German colonies." He advocates the establishment of a colony consisting of a vast portion of French and Belgian Congo, and the exchange of Kiao Chan, New Guinea, the Australian islands, and Togoland for British East Africa, Uganda, Northern Rhodesia, and Nyassaland. Such a colonial Empire, he says, could be easily defended from the sea, and it would be worthy of Germany's enterprising spirit, as it would yield all the raw material required.

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## HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

## EXAMINATION OF RIFLES.

All Martines and Winchester are to be returned to the Armoury, Central Station, between the hours of 5.15 and 6 p.m., as follows:—

Wednesday, March 7th.—All Martines. Tuesday, March 13th.—All Winchester. Musketry Sergeant Fisher will supervise. Members may attend in multi. Medical exemptions must return their rifles with the others.

## INSPECTORS AND SERGEANTS.

Inspectors and Sergeants will attend in uniform at Police School for oral examination by Chief Inspector Kerr in Police Duties at 5.30 p.m., as follows:—

Monday, March 12.—All Crown Sergeants and Sergeants of Nos. 1 and 2 Companies.

Wednesday, March 14th.—All Chief Inspectors, Staff Inspectors Arellu and Potter, all Inspectors, and Staff Sergeant Fisher and Baker.

Friday, March 16th.—All Crown Sergeants and Sergeants of Nos. 3 and 4 Companies, Mounted Police, Maxim Gunners, and Ambulance Platoon.

## POLICE SCHOOL.

The following Classes are to be warned for attendance:—

Class IX.—Twelve Constables to be warned respectively by the Commanders of Nos. 1 and 2 Sections and 8 Constables by the O. C. Maxim Gunners.

Class X.—Thirty-two Constables to be warned by the O. C. No. 3 Company.

Class XI.—Thirty-two Constables to be warned by the O. C. No. 2 Company.

The above Classes will attend Police School in uniform at Headquarters Club at 5.30 p.m. during the week commencing Monday, March 19th. Dates for attendance will appear in Orders. Members will provide their own material for making notes.

## DEFAULTERS.

The attention of all Inspectors and Sergeants is drawn to "Standing Orders 79." They will fail in their duty if they merely forward any excuse made by an alleged defaulter without checking and expressing an opinion on the value of such excuse.

All documents requiring to be attached to a Report Sheet are to be fastened on the back and not on the front of the Sheet.

## MUSKETEER CORPS, PART II.

The following will attend for Range Duties on Sunday next, March 11th: Staff Inspectors, McKean, Mackenzie, and Arellu; Crown Sergeants, Ellis and Ford; and Sergeant Goodwin.

## HEADQUARTERS' CLUB.

Members of the General Committee and all Sub-Committees are requested to attend at the Club on Friday, March 9th, at 5.30 p.m.

## POLICE RESERVE GAZETTE.

The Committee will meet at the D.S.P. office on Friday, March 9th, at 6 p.m.

(Sgd.) F. C. JENKIN, D.S.P. (R.).

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## HONGKONG AND CHINA DISTRICT.

SALVAGE DIVISION. Fall in with the Hongkong Volunteer Reserves on the Cricket Ground on Saturday, the 10th inst., at 1.45 p.m. Dress—Shirts, puttees, helmets, haversacks (filled), water-bottles (filled), great-coats (folded).

Stretchers will be required. (Sgd.) E. RALPHS, Officer in Charge of District.

## GERMAN FINANCE.

## NECESSITY FOR AN INDEMNITY.

The Berlin financial weekly "Flotten" states:—"An indemnity is an imperative necessity for Germany. If the war ends in June it will have cost us 26,000,000,000, and the highest income tax and succession duties, as well as the most productive monopolies, would not enable Germany to raise the necessary interest on the redemption money. A sum of 22,500,000,000 might be obtained by confiscating 30 per cent of private property in Germany. It is therefore essential that Germany should get at least this amount as war indemnity."

Until the matter is actually put to the test it will be impossible to say how many Europeans and Anglo-Indians between the ages of sixteen and fifty there are in India who would be available for military training; but it would not be a high estimate, perhaps, to place the total at something like fifty thousand, says the "Pioneer." The question of deciding how far the services of the men may be utilized is one that will require careful consideration, and the authorities will no doubt take the bodies charged with this task will be so constituted that they will command the confidence of all concerned.











## COMMERCIAL.

## HONGKONG FREIGHT MARKET.

News, Snowman and Co's freight circular states: Since reporting on the 17th ult. the continued scarcity of tonnage, which is now more accentuated by the Government requisitioning, is, to a very great extent, responsible for the small volume of chartering business transacted in our market during the interval and it would appear that the outlook for the immediate future is anything but promising. There has only been a slight demand for tonnage from Hongkong but the requirements that have been made have been sufficient to firm the rate in this direction and fixtures reported are those of one medium sized and one small outside both 75 cents per picul. A regular liner has since been reported fixed on a basis of 80 cents per picul and further tonnage for the first half of this month would probably be accepted at the same rate.

Quotation for No. 2 White round sifted rice stands at \$7.75 per picul f.o.b. Saigon for March to April shipment.

Bangkok to Hongkong.—When we last reported the rate in this direction stood at \$1.25 to \$1.15 per picul for inside to outside the bar loading and this has since strengthened by five cents. Spot fixtures have not been reported but during the interval a certain amount of tonnage has been taken up fixtures made for 150 tons while ago. At the moment of going to press there is a rumour current to the effect that the Bangkok rice market has declined and this may therefore affect the freight rate but confirmation of this report is not yet to hand.

Saigon to Java: No change is reported although tonnage could be placed. Charterers' ideas of rates, however, are rather low when taking into consideration the present state of the market.

Saigon to Philippines remains as last reported.

Batavia to Java: Business has been arranged in the meantime, a regular contract accepting 25 cents per picul for usual quantity and giving middle March loading and also a Japanese boat of similar capacity and loading time, at 25 cents per picul.

Cebu to Japan from Japan remain at about \$2.00 per ton but show a slight hardening tendency. The rates for local business have firmed, charterers wisely taking advantage of and fixing any small tonnage offering and a fair sized Japanese steamer accepted \$2.50 Hongkong.

Fixtures reported:—Hongkong to Hongkong \$2.25, \$2.50 and \$2.50 for a number of trips.

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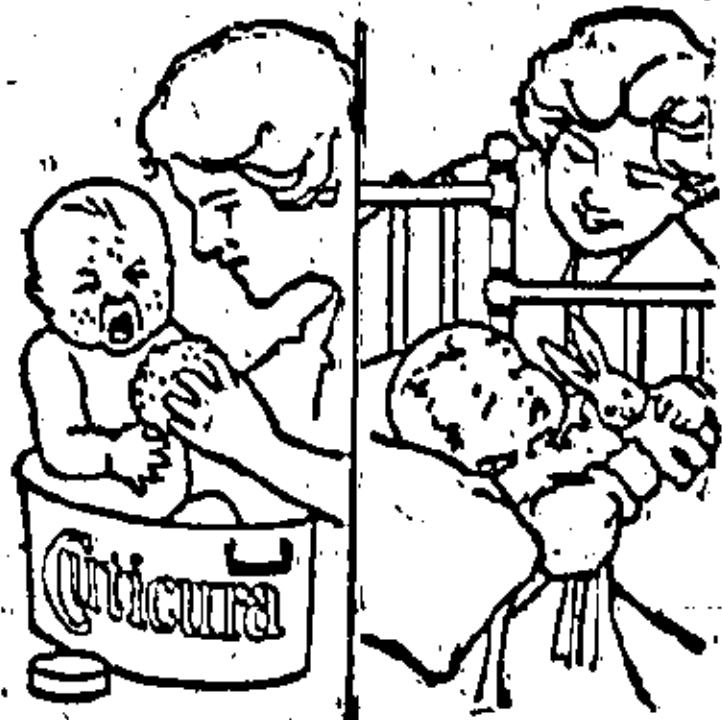
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Quarter hour, 10 cents.

Half hour, 20 "

One hour, 35 "

Three hours, 50 "

Six hours, 70 "

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.), \$1.00

If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.

Between the hours of 8.30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 50 per centum.

II.—Beyond Victoria with four Bearers.

Hour, 0.60 cents.

Three hours, \$1.00

Six hours, 1.50

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 2.00

III.—In the Hill District.

With 2 Bearers With 4 Bearers.

Quarter hour, \$0.15 \$0.30

Half hour, 0.30 0.40

One hour, 0.50 0.60

Two hours, 0.80 0.90

Three hours, 1.00 1.10

Six hours, 1.50 1.60

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 2.00

## RICKSHAS.

I.—In the Island of Hongkong if engaged in Victoria.

Ten minutes, 5 cents.

Quarter hour, 10 "

Half hour, 15 "

One hour, 20 "

Every subsequent hour, 20 "

Note.—If the ricksha be engaged within the City of Victoria, and be discharged outside the Western part of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m. or be discharged to the East of Bay View Police Station on the Eastern side of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

II.—In Kowloon.

Quarter hour, 5 cents.

Half hour, 10 "

One hour, 15 "

Every subsequent hour, 10 "

III.—Taipei Road.

Twenty cents shall be added for each extra hour or part of an hour if the hirer causes the journey to take longer than—

To 4th mile—75 cents—1 hour.

return—\$1.00—2 hours.

Beyond 4th to 8th mile—

single—\$1.50—2 hours.

return—\$2.00—4 "

Beyond 8th to 11th mile—

single—\$1.75—2 1/2 "

return—\$2.50—5 "

Beyond 11th to 14th mile—

single—\$2.00—3 "

return—\$3.00—6 "

Fares for journeys beyond the 14th mile to be a matter of previous arrangement in each case.

The fares here set out to apply to one ricksha with three coolies from Tsing Shan.

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FARES FOR PUBLIC CARRIAGES.

I.—In the City of Victoria.

Not exceeding per passenger.

Quarter hour, 10 cents.

Half hour, 20 "

One hour, 35 "

Two hours, 50 "

Three " 60 "

Four " 70 "

Five " 75 "

Six " 80 "

One day from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$1.25

II.—Beyond Victoria.

Not exceeding per passenger.

Quarter hour, 10 cents.

Half hour, 20 "

One hour, 35 "

Two hours, 50 "

Three " 60 "

Four " 70 "

Five " 75 "

Six " 80 "

One day from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$1.25

III.—In Kowloon.